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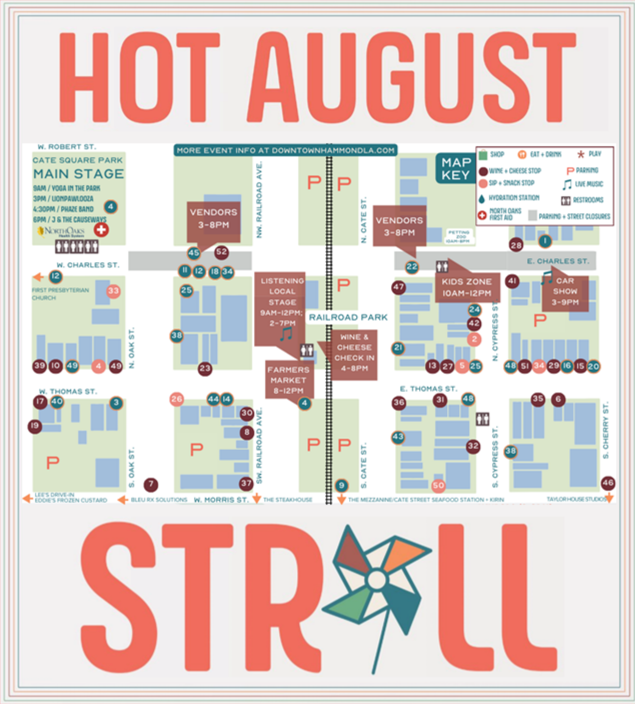
Hot August Stroll Returns Saturday

By STEFANIE BROOKE • Tangi Times Community Journalist

If you're looking for a reason to shake off the dog days of summer and stroll through the heart of Hammond, mark your calendar for Saturday, August 23, because the 28th annual Hot August Stroll is ready to turn up the heat in all the best ways. Since 1995, this free all-day celebration has been the highlight of summer for locals and visitors alike, blending hometown charm with a big helping of local art, music, and that unmistakable downtown Hammond vibe.

Downtown Hammond's historic streets will come alive with specials and sales at more than 50 local shops – meaning you can snag something unique while feeling pretty good about supporting the folks who make this town tick. Early birds can wander the Farmers & Artisans Market at Railroad Park from 8am to noon, where you're bound to find everything from fresh produce to handmade treasures.

If your soundtrack for the day is missing a few tunes, don't worry – the Listening Local Stage will keep the good vibes rolling from morning till evening, featuring plenty of homegrown talent that proves just how musical this town can be. And if you're craving a bit of calm before diving back into the crowd, there's even yoga in the park at 9am – so bring your mat, stretch it out, and then reward your inner yogi with a stroll and a snack.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9AM / YOGA IN THE PARK
3PM / LIONPAWLOOZA
4:30PM / PHAZE BAND
6PM / J & THE CAUSEWAYS
VENDORS 3-8PM
LISTENING LOCAL STAGE 9AM-12PM; 2-7PM
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Families with little ones will want to check out the Kid Zone at the Louisiana Children's Discovery Center between 10 and noon – because the only thing better than shopping local is doing it while the kids burn off some of that summer energy. Later in the day, there's Lionpawlooza from 3-4pm.

And if all that walking and browsing makes you thirsty, the Wine & Cheese Stroll is ready to save the day – check in at Railroad Park between 4 and 8pm and sip your way through downtown with style. Live music fans can wrap up their evening with performances by Phaze Band at 4:30 and J & the Causeways at 6, closing out the night on the best note possible.

So, grab your friends, pack your reusable shopping bag, and get ready to eat, shop, play, and sway all day long.

See STROLL for an extensive list of featured activities on Page 6

Early Achievements Can Lead to College Savings

By STEFANIE BROOKE • Tangi Times Community Journalist

Most folks think of scholarships as something high school seniors scramble for while balancing prom, finals, and college applications. But here's the surprise: students don't have to wait until their teenage years to start earning scholarship awards. In fact, some opportunities open as early as elementary school, planting the seeds for future college savings long before kids even know what dorm food tastes like.

Many national contests attract young competitors in art, writing, STEM, or community service. Winners might not get a check they can spend at the candy store, but they often receive money deposited into a 529 college savings account or awarded in the form of savings bonds.

Programs like Doodle for Google, library writing contests, and art competitions run by museums or nonprofits are just a few examples where elementary-aged students can shine.

Some families tap into these "save now, award later" programs. These include 529 scholarship sweepstakes and state-sponsored initiatives where contributions or winnings go directly into a child's college savings plan.

Here in Louisiana, families can take advantage of the Student Tuition Assistance and Revenue Trust Program, commonly referred to as the "START Saving Program." This is an innovative college savings plan designed to help families contend with the growing costs of educating their children after high school.

A savings account for college, called an Education Savings Account (ESA), may be opened on behalf of a named beneficiary by anyone, including legal entities, provided that the account owner or the beneficiary is a resident of Louisiana. Account owners may save at their own pace, in amounts they can afford, and still have their money professionally managed.

In addition, as an incentive to save, the State of Louisiana will annually match a percentage of the deposits made to an account during the calendar year, depending upon the category into which the account has been classified and the federal adjusted gross income reported by the Account Owner for the previous year.

For more information on START, visit startsaving.la.gov.

Even if a student doesn't rack up actual scholarship dollars in elementary school, it's never too early to start building a portfolio. Keeping track of achievements, volunteer hours, and creative projects helps families tell a stronger story when the big

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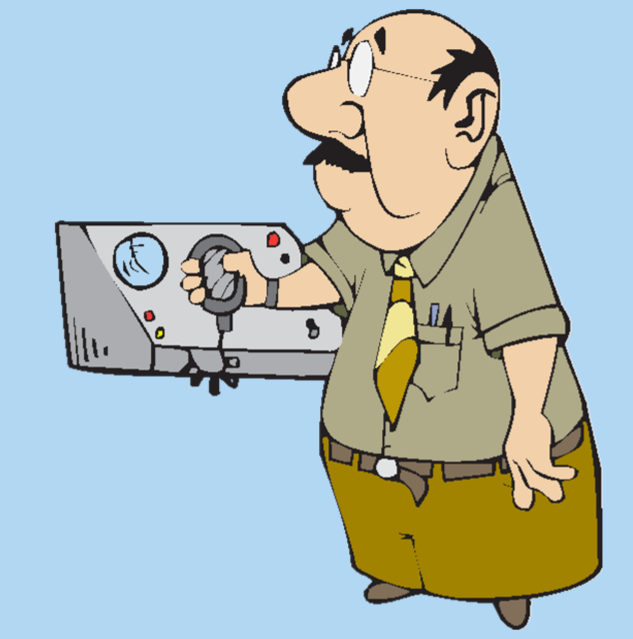
August Is National Hair Loss Month!



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movie quote Challenge

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POS (PERSON OF SUSPICION) OF THE WEEK

Weekend Weather

Bob Brick

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and much more!

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Weekend Weather

Saturday 8/23	Sunday 8/24
92 24%	95 15%
71 15%	70 7%

From The Tangi Times Weekend Weather Team

Bob Brick

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Part of growing up is realizing that eventually, life just becomes a delicate balance between trying to stay awake and trying to fall asleep while getting markedly worse at both.

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movie quote

Challenge

Can you cite the movie that featured this memorable quote? Email the answer to publisher@tangitimes.com.

"I am your king."
"Well, I didn't vote for you."
"You don't vote for kings!"

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Congratulations to Carlne Melton for being the first to correctly identify last week's challenge from Princess Bride!

Safety Tip of the Day

SAFETY TOOLS TO HAVE ON YOU

1. Carry your personal keychain alarm-its loud and will draw a ton of attention to you. And in a dangerous situation, that's exacctly what you want to do.

2. 3 in 1 pepper gel, it's pepper gel, seat belt cutter and a tempered glass breaker. This helps if you are in someone else car, you're eable to get out.

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Hammond Regional Arts Center
217 E Thomas St., Hammond

Friday August 22
7pm
Tangi Crime Stoppers Old West Murder Mystery
J Ruckers Saloon
165 W Pine St., Ponchatoula
www.tangicrimestoppers.com

Saturday August 23
8am
Hot August Stroll 2025
Downtown Hammond

Friday August 29
7 pm
Learn to Rumba at Twin Steeples
Twin Steeples Creative Arts Center
220 East Oak St., Ponchatoula

Saturday August 30
4 pm – 7 pm
Bosses & Blankets: Luxe Garden Party
Cate Square Park
200 West Charles St., Hammond

Saturday August 30
9 pm
Late Night Gnarly 90's Night
Gnarly Barley Brewing
1709 Corbin Rd., Hammond

Thursday September 11
6:30 pm
Wine Bingo
Crescent Lounge
120 W. Pine St., Ponchatoula

Saturday September 13
9:30am
1st Annual Hungarian Heritage Festival Pageant 2026
Victory in Christ Church of Louisiana
26012 LA-42, Holden

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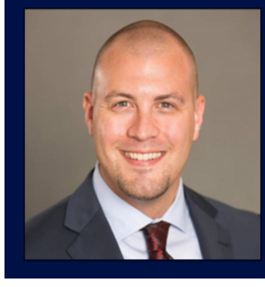

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Happy 90th Birthday, C.W. Kinchen!

C. W. Kinchen celebrated his 90th birthday with family and friends on August 8, 2025. C.W. has been a husband, a father, a grandfather, businessman, a US Postal Service letter carrier, a Ponchatoula City Councilman, and a Grand Marshal of the Strawberry Festival. He and his late wife Mary were responsible for beginning the cherished tradition of the Ponchatoula Christmas lighting ceremony.

Courtesy photo

Hammond Ballet to Hold Nutcracker Auditions

Courtesy photo

On September 7 at the Columbia Theatre, Hammond Ballet will hold open auditions for its 29th production of The Nutcracker for dancers ages 4 and up may audition. There is also a limited number of character and acting roles for boys. Audition times for ages 4-7 are 11:00am-noon, ages 8-11 are noon-1:45pm, and ages 12 and up are 2:00-3:45pm. Boys interested in auditioning for character roles will be from 1:00-1:45.

Please wear comfortable clothes they can move in.

Audition fees are $25 through the online registration at HammondBallet.com. Online registration will end at 7:00pm on Saturday, September 6.

Walkup audition registration on Sunday will be $35 cash only.

For more information, about the company, the Nutcracker production and audition information, go to HammondBallet.com or email HammondBallet@gmail.com.

Nurse Practitioner Lacy C. Mills Joins North Oaks Primary Care in Independence

From North Oaks

Nurse Practitioner Lacy C. Mills

Nurse Practitioner Lacy C. Mills, APRN, FNP-BC, has joined North Oaks Primary Care in Independence, a clinic of North Oaks Health System. She will treat new patients ages 12 and up starting in September. To schedule an appointment, call (985) 230-APPT [2778].

Mills comes to North Oaks with more than two decades of healthcare experience at hospitals and clinics in southeast Louisiana. She decided to practice at North Oaks because of its strong reputation as a top-tier employer in the healthcare industry.

Mills is a seasoned family nurse practitioner with a passion for preventative care, mental health, and treating chronic conditions like diabetes. She enjoys helping her patients improve their health so they can enjoy their lives more fully.

"One of the most important aspects of practicing medicine is effective communication," Mills shares. "By effectively communicating with my patients and collaborating with other healthcare specialists, I can help my patients achieve a better quality of life."

"To be able to ease the suffering of another individual is the greatest honor," she continues.

At North Oaks Primary Care's Independence location, Mills will provide comprehensive care for families, from routine checkups and preventive screenings to treating everyday illnesses and helping manage long-term health conditions.

At the heart of her approach is understanding each patient as a whole person — not just the health issue that brings them into her exam room.

"Each patient is different, so each patient's plan of care is tailored to their individual needs," Mills explains.

Mills earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond and her master's degree in nursing from the University of South Alabama in Mobile. She is certified as a family nurse practitioner by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC).

In addition to her considerable healthcare experience, she has served as a part-time instructor for the BSN program at Southeastern Louisiana University's School of Nursing.

Nurse practitioners are nationally certified, state-licensed medical professionals who can practice independently, working in close collaboration with their supervising physician.

North Oaks Primary Care in Independence is located at 230 Masonic Drive, Independence, LA 70443. Clinic hours of operation are 8am to 5pm on weekdays.

TANGI GUMBO

A little bit of everything you need to know

The St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office has issued an arrest warrant for 18-year-old Barnell Vanshun Doughty Jr., wanted in connection with a June 27 burglary of an inhabited dwelling. Investigators say Doughty unlawfully entered a residence and committed burglary, leading detectives to secure a warrant for one felony count of Simple Burglary of an Inhabited Dwelling. Doughty is described as 6'1", 125 pounds, with black hair and brown eyes. Authorities are asking anyone with information on his whereabouts to call the Sheriff's Office at 225-222-4413 or submit an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers. All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Secretary of State Nancy Landry announces that newly redesigned absentee voting envelopes will be used for the October 11 elections. Voters who have requested an absentee ballot for the upcoming elections should expect to see these redesigned envelopes in the coming days.

"Our redesigned absentee ballot envelopes come with larger print and easier-to-read instructions," Secretary Landry said. "These envelopes will ensure that voters more clearly understand how to vote absentee-by-mail while maintaining the stringent election security measures Louisiana deserves and expects."

Voters with any questions should contact the Secretary of State's Elections Division at 800.883.2805 or their parish Registrar of Voters Office.

(August 20) The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's assistance with locating two runaway juveniles.

Na'kelia Richard, 15, and Greighanah Johnson, 14, were last seen leaving the group home on Patti Road in Hammond on Saturday, August 16.

Na'kelia is described as a black female who has black braided hair with blue braids in the back, brown eyes, standing 5'2" and weighing 124 lbs. She was last seen wearing pink shorts and a pink shirt with blue and white tennis shoes.

Greighanah Johnson is described as a black female with black and blonde braided hair, brown eyes, standing 5'2" and weighing 235 lbs. She was last seen wearing a

(See TANGI GUMBO Page 5)

POS
(PERSON OF SUSPICION)
OF THE WEEK

POS Aaron Jiles

The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office (TPSO) Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force has arrested a Ponchatoula man in its latest operation.

Aaron Jiles, 32, has been booked on 60 counts of Pornography Involving Juveniles Under the Age of 13.

The TPSO ICAC Unit started investigating the uploading of Child Sexual Assault Materials (CSAM) on a social media platform. Detectives determined Jiles was the individual publishing the content and obtained a warrant for his arrest.

This week, Jiles was taken into custody and, after analysis of his devices, booked on the number of charges listed above.

This activity is part of TPSO's partnership with Attorney General Liz Murrill's Office and their ICAC Task Force which includes a collaboration with numerous local law enforcement agencies.

The TPSO would like to thank the Ponchatoula Police Department for assisting with this case.

You done messed up, A-aron!

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Leadership Tangipahoa Begins 2025-2026 Year

The 2025-2026 Leadership Class begins the year at the Solomon Retreat Center for their Kick-Off Retreat.

The 2025–2026 Leadership Tangipahoa Class is officially underway after completing their weekend retreat at the Solomon Retreat Center.

"We have another outstanding group of participants this year," said Tangipahoa Leadership Executive Coordinator Nick Gagliano. "Our team looks forward to guiding them as they explore the many opportunities, successes, and challenges that shape Tangipahoa Parish."

Leadership Tangipahoa is a ten-month program designed to give participants a deeper understanding of the parish. Each month highlights a different area of focus, including Parish Government, Municipal Government, Tourism, Social Services, Healthcare, Education, Criminal Justice, Economic Development, and State Government.

The 2025 – 2026 Class and their employers/ sponsors: Cynthia Brown, Florida Parishes Juvenile Detention Center; Tiffany Chavers-Edwards, Southeastern Louisiana University; Trea Coxen, Tangipahoa Parish Tourism; John Dunnington, Tangipahoa Parish Government; Michael Graziano, North Oaks Health System; Gary Porter, Tangipahoa Parish School System; Lindsey Thomas, Tangipahoa Parish Clerk of Court; Michelle Carruthers, Options, Inc.; Jennifer Hanson, Holly & Smith Architects; Stephanie Fendlason, Northshore Media; Rueben Auter, Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival; Samantha Brumfield, Edwards & Stevens Law Firm; Angel Cortez, City of Ponchatoula; Olivia Graziano, Tangipahoa Chamber; Benton Thames, Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce; Braville LeBlanc, H. Rocker Electric Co., Inc.; Vicki Wilson, Tangipahoa 911 Center; DeMarquis Burise, Ponchatoula Area Recreation District; Suzette Callais, Sunray Companies; Stanley Campbell, Campbell Realty Investment Group; Jeffrey Dameron, Gulf Coast Bank & Trust; Veronica Leto, Adolesco Preparatory Academy; Tanya Nel, Gendusa Insurance Agency; Derek Wheat, Land Surveying Services LLC; and Destiny Ponder, Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLC.

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NOTICE

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 1 , 2025

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POSITION: Assistant Principal (9.75 Months)

SALARY: $55,212 - $79,372
Based on degree and verified years of relevant experience

LOCATION: Greenville Park Leadership Academy
Hammond, LA

CRITERIA: Must have on or before the advertised deadline, a valid Louisiana teaching certificate with one or more of the following credentials:

- Valid Type A or Level 3 Louisiana Teaching Certificate with certification as Principal; OR
- Educational Leader Level 1 or Level 2; OR
- Educational Leader Eligibility letter issued from the Louisiana Department of Education; OR
- Out of State Principal certificate, Level 1 (OSP1) or Level 2 (OSP2); OR
- Out of State (OSP1 or OSP2) Principal Eligibility letter issued from the Louisiana Department of Education

UPDATED diplomas, certificates, and other supporting documentation must be submitted with the application.

A rubric will be used to evaluate your application, so please be sure to submit all required information.

Applications for this position will only be accepted through the Frontline Recruit and Hire website: www.applitrack.com/Tangischools/onlineapp/. Paper applications and/or email scanned attachment(s) will not be accepted or processed for consideration.

Submit your application through the Frontline Recruit and Hire portal before the deadline of **SEPTEMBER 1, 2025,** even if a previous paper application is on file with TPSS Human Resources. Previous paper or email applications will not be considered.

IMPORTANT: Applicants are strongly urged to submit OFFICIAL verification forms from present and former employers that detail the years of his/her employment in order to receive credit for Working Experience and Administrative Experience (Sections 3 and 4 of the Evaluation Criteria Rubric).
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NOTICE

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

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POSITION: Assistant Principal (9.75 Months)

SALARY: $58,092 - $83,513
Based on degree and verified years of relevant experience

LOCATION: Ponchatoula High School
Ponchatoula, LA

CRITERIA: Must have on or before the advertised deadline, a valid Louisiana teaching certificate with one or more of the following credentials:

- Valid Type A or Level 3 Louisiana Teaching Certificate with certification as Principal; OR
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- Preference will be given to candidates with Special Education certification and experience.

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NOTICE

DEADLINE: AUGUST 27, 2025

The Tangipahoa Parish School System (TPSS) is now accepting applications for the following:

POSITION: MAGNET SCHOOL SPECIALIST (9 Month)

SALARY: $48,010 - $69,019 (Based on degree and verified years of relevant experience)

LOCATION: Kentwood High Magnet School
Kentwood, LA

CRITERIA:

- Must have a valid Louisiana teaching certificate as per the minimum requirements set forth in Bulletin 746: Louisiana Standards for State Certification of School Personnel.
- Experience in teaching dance and musical arts preferred.

UPDATED diplomas, certificates, and other supporting documentation must be submitted with the application.

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BOARD AGENDA - Aug 05 2025 Minutes

Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 6:00 PM
Central Office Board Room, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, LA 70422

1. OPENING ITEMS

A. Roll Call
All members were present.

B. Pledge of Allegiance (All veterans and active military, please render the proper salute) - Tom Tolar
Mr. Piazza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Consider approval of the Board minutes of July 15, 2025 BOARD AGENDA - Jul 15 2025 - Minutes - Html
Motion to adopt.

Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Glenn Westmoreland

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

D. Consider approval of the Public Notice minutes of July 15, 2025
PUBLIC NOTICE - Jul 15 2025 - Minutes - Html

Motion to approve.

Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Glenn Westmoreland

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

2. AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

A. Recognize the AED Award recipients - Verna Thompson

Superintendent Melissa Stilley, Mr. Trent Anthon, Board Vice- President, and Ms. Verna Thompson, Head Nurse, recognized and presented certificates to the following AED Award recipients.
Honorary Mention: Nesom Middle School and O.W. Dillon Leadership Academy
Recipients: 1st Place - Chesbrough Elementary School; 2nd Place - Ponchatoula Junior High School; 3rd Place Loranger Elementary School

B. Recognize the Reach University Graduates - Sharon Spring Reach University Graduate Recognition.pdf

Superintendent Stilley, Board Vice-President Anthony, and Ms. Sharon Spring, Teach Tangi Coordinator, recognized and presented certificates to the Reach University Graduates.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Policy Committee of the Whole - July 15, 2025
POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Jul 15 2025 - Minutes - Html
Motion to approve.
Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Glenn Westmoreland

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0
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B. Capital Outlay Committee of the Whole - July 15, 2025 CAPITAL OUTLAY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Jul 15 2025 - Minutes - Html
Motion to approve.

Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Trent Anthony

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Abstain Jerry Moore
Motion Carries 8-0

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C. Personnel Committee - August 05, 2025
Motion to approve.

Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Trent Anthony

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

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4. BOARD ACTIONS
A. Consider approval of the 2026 Graduation Schedule - Dr. Lisa Fussell
2026 Graduation Schedule.pdf

2026 Graduation Schedule
- Independence High School - May 5, 2026, 6:00 PM
- Kentwood High Magnet School - May 6, 2026, 6:00 PM
- Amite High Magnet School - May 7, 2026, 6:00 PM
- Loranger High School - May 8, 2026, 6:00 PM
- Hammond High Magnet School - May 9, 2026, 10:00 AM
- Ponchatoula High School - May 9, 2026, 3:00 PM
- Sumner High School, May 11, 2026, 6:00 PM

Motion to approve.

Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Rose Dominguez

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

B. Consider approval to publish the Notice of Public Hearing of the proposed 2025-2026 Annual Operating Budget in the Official Journal - Jeff McKneely
Motion to approve.

Moved by: Rose Dominguez
Seconded by: Trent Anthony

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

C. Consider approval to renew the Workers' Compensation Insurance Policy - Jeff McKneely Worker's Comp Insurance - 2025.pdf
Motion to approve.

Moved by: Joey Piazza
Seconded by: Trent Anthony

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

D. Consider approval to renew the Liability Insurance Policy - Jeff McKneely
2025 Liability - Property.xlsx - Property & Casualty (1).pdf
Motion to approve and to reject terrorism coverage.

Moved by: Rose Dominguez
Seconded by: Joey Piazza

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

5. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATION

A. Consider approval to refer policies IFA - Instructional Materials; IFBGA - Student Computer and Internet Use; JBD - Student Absences and Excuses; JCDAF - Bullying and Hazing; JDE - Expulsion; JGCE - Child Abuse; JGCF - Behavioral Health Support for Students, JGB - School Wellness and JCDAA - Student Smoking, Tobacco and Marijuana Use to the Policy Committee
Motion to approve.

Moved by: Rose Dominguez
Seconded by: Joey Piazza

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Motion Carries 9-0

B. Update on the 2025 Summer Internship Program Summer Internship Program Infographic 2025.pdf

Ms. Deborah Anderson gave an update on the Intership Program.

C. General Updates

Superintendent Stilley announced that the Back to School Rally was a great success and expressed her gratitude to the Board members for attending and participating in the games. She noted that each year, WDSU selects a school to highlight on the first day, and this year, they have chosen Independence High Magnet School. Superintendent Stilley reminded the public that any information they may need for the start of school can be found on the District's website under "Family Toolkit." She also informed everyone that students will be required to wear regular school uniforms on the first day of school.

6. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

A. Board Member Comments

Ms. Richards welcomed the teachers and staff back, expressing her pride in them. She stated that the Back to School Bash was a lot of fun.
Ms. Abrams commended all the organizers of the Back to School Bash, expressing how heartwarming it was to hear remarks from district students and employees at the rally. She also thanked Mark Colona for being the DJ for the event.
Mr. Westmoreland congratulated the Superintendent on the Bash and welcomed the teachers back.
Mr. Duncan mentioned that the rally was fantastic and reminded parents that the school system is prepared for the first day of school. He noted that there may be some issues with buses, teachers, or staff, and he encouraged everyone to be patient during this time.
Mr. Moore welcomed everyone back. He emphasized that teachers are dedicated to educating their students, spending more time with them than with their own families. He is praying for their patience and strength.
Mr. Piazza expressed that the Rally was a great success and thanked the District for organizing it. He echoed Mr. Duncan's sentiments and encouraged everyone to show grace to one another on the first day of school. He also welcomed all employees back and expressed his gratitude for their hard work and dedication.
Ms. Dominguez expressed that significant effort was put into organizing the Rally, and she enjoyed hearing the students speak during the event. She reported that she, along with Mr. Moore and Ms. Richards, attended the 2025 Annual LSBA Conference in Lake Charles, LA, from July 28 to July 30, 2025. They participated in many valuable sessions during the conference. She requested that this information be recorded in the official minutes to fulfill the required CLU hours as stipulated by Louisiana Revised Statutes 17:53, Act 705 for the year 2025.
Mr. Anthony echoed the sentiments of others and expressed optimism about the upcoming school year, although he is not prepared for the conflicts on Facebook. He mentioned that the District operates like a well-oiled machine and is pleased that test scores have increased over the past two years.
Mr. Tolar expressed his regret for missing the Rally and thanked the employees for their hard work. He noted that North Oaks Health System provided screening services and collected 12 bins of food for the local pantry. He praised the new hallway floors at Sumner High School and suggested that improvements such as new floors, windows, paint, and ceiling tiles would enhance all schools and positively impact the community's perception. Additionally, he called for the expansion of Driver's Education to more schools and advocated for increased trade education to address the need for skilled workers. Lastly, he requested a report on the timeline for architects to complete the design of their Phase II campus projects

7. LITIGATION

A. Motion to enter Executive Session to consider the cases of Motion to approve.

Moved by: Brett Duncan
Seconded by: Joey Piazza
Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Carried 9-0

B. Discuss and consider the matter of Norma Tobias, TAPC240048B - Tammy Tate

There was no action on this item.

C. Consider the case of Thomas Wilson vs. TPSB, 21st JDC, No. 20240000241, Division C - Ashley Bass

Motion to adopt counsel's recommendation

Moved by: Brett Duncan
Seconded by: Glenn Westmoreland

Yea Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Rose Dominguez, Brett Duncan, Jerry Moore, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, Tom Tolar, and Glenn Westmoreland
Carried 9-0
8. VIDEOS FOR LITIGATION

9. PUBLIC INPUT
There was no Public Input.

10. Adjournment

A. Adjourn Meeting
There being no other business, the meeting adjourned. (7:31 PM)

Tom Tolar Melissa M. Stilley
Tom Tolar, President Melissa M. Stilley, Secretary- Treasurer

ATTACHMENTS:

POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - Jul 15 2025 Minutes
Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 6:00 PM
Central Office Board Room, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, LA 70422

1. Meeting Opening

A. Call to Order
Chairman Glenn Westmoreland called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM.

B. Roll Call
Robin Abrams, Trent Anthony, Janice Richards, and Jerry Moore were absent.

2. REVISIONS

A. Discuss the 2025-2026 TPSS Student Code of Conduct Procedural Manual - Ron Genco

Mr. Ron Genco, Assistant Superintendent, reviewed the Procedure Manual, along with possible revisions, with the Committee. The Committee members made requests and suggestions for revising the manual. Mr. Genco will bring the manual back to the Committee.

3. Adjournment

A. Adjourn Meeting
There being no other business, the meeting adjourned. (6:49 PM)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Jul 15 2025 Minutes
Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 4:45 PM
Central Office Board Room, 59656 Puleston Road, Amite, LA 70422

1.Meeting Opening

A. Call to Order
Chairman Joey Piazza called the meeting to order at 4:45 PM.

B. Roll Call

2. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

A. Consider approval of the revised job description for the Board Secretary/ Superintendent Secretary - Bobby Matthews
BOARD SECRETARY - old job description.pdf
Job Title_ Secretary to the Superintendent and School Board.pdf

Mr. Bobby Matthews, Director of Human Resources, reviewed the revised job description with the Committee.
Motion to approve.

Moved by: Tom Tolar
Seconded by: Rose Dominguez

Yea
Robin Abrams, Rose Dominguez, Joey Piazza, Janice Richards, and Tom Tolar

Motion Carries 5-0

3 Adjournment
There being no other business, the meeting adjourned. (5:01 PM)

ATTACHMENTS:

Job Title: Secretary to the Superintendent and School Board
Reports To: Superintendent of Schools
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt
Work Schedule: 12 Months (Full-Time)
Location: Tangipahoa Parish School Board Office in Amite, Louisiana
Salary Range: $39,110 – $56,551 annually
Additional Compensation: Stipends provided for attendance at School Board and committee meetings

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Job Summary
The Secretary to the Superintendent and School Board provides high-level administrative and confidential support to the Superintendent and Board Members. This position ensures the efficient operation of the Governance Team (Board & Superintendent), manages communications and official documentation, and oversees the district's recordkeeping systems, including compliance with record retention laws and maintenance of property records. The position requires attendance at School Board and committee meetings.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities
Administrative and Board Support
- Serve as the executive-level administrative assistant to the Superintendent and School Board.
- Manage calendars, prepare meeting materials, coordinate logistics, and draft communications.
- Record, transcribe, and maintain official minutes of Board and committee meetings.
- Prepare and post agendas in compliance with the Louisiana Open Meetings Law.
- Distribute Board packets and official documents accurately and on time.
- Maintain confidentiality and integrity of all district and Board-related information.
- Serve as a key liaison between Board Members, the Superintendent, district staff, legal counsel, and the public.

Records Management and Retention
- Manage the complete lifecycle of district records—creation, storage, retrieval, and disposition—both digital and physical.
- Ensure full compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations, including the Louisiana Local Government Records Act.
- Develop and manage a district-wide records retention schedule.
- Maintain organized and secure filing systems and audit for policy compliance.
- Document and log all records that are archived, transferred, or destroyed.
- Train staff on records management procedures, confidentiality, and compliance.
- Oversee secure destruction of records that meet retention requirements.

Property Records
- Maintain accurate, organized, and up-to-date records for all real property owned or leased by the district.
- Collect and preserve deeds, titles, leases, easements, surveys, plats, legal descriptions, and property tax documentation.
- Classify and store property records by location, parcel number, or other identifiers for easy retrieval.
- Monitor and update records for acquisitions, sales, boundary changes, lease modifications, or property improvements.
- Coordinate with legal counsel and relevant departments to verify property rights, ownership, and encumbrances.
- Ensure all property records follow established retention schedules and are protected from unauthorized access or loss.

Required Qualifications
- High school diploma or GED required; Associate's degree or higher preferred.
- At least five (5) years of executive-level administrative experience, preferably in a school district or public agency.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office, electronic filing systems, and records management tools.
- Strong working knowledge of Louisiana public records and retention laws.
- Familiarity with legal documents and property records is highly desirable.
- Excellent communication, organization, and time management skills.
- Ability to handle sensitive information with discretion.
- Willingness to work flexible hours to accommodate evening meetings.

Cost of notice:$ 295.00

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LEGAL AND PUBLIC NOTICES

TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL
PUBLIC NOTICE

Is Hereby Given That The Tangipahoa Parish Council Will Meet In Regular Session on Monday, August 25, 2025 following the Public Hearing at 5:30PM at the Tangipahoa Parish Gordon A Burgess Governmental Building, 206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, Louisiana, contact number (985)748-3211.

PUBLIC HEARING

ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 25-24 - An Ordinance establishing Vineyard Trace Subdivision a No Truck Route in District 8
ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 25-25 - An Ordinance to declare surplus (1) Surface Pro Laptop, Asset #23805, and authorize the donation of said asset to the Village of Tangipahoa

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The meeting agenda will be posted outside the meeting location and posted online at www.tangipahoa.org
on Thursday prior to the meeting date.

Cost of notice:$ 13.00

Village of Tickfaw

50081 Hwy 51 North Tickfaw, La 70466
August 12, 2025
5:00pm Minutes

The Village of Tickfaw Council met in a monthly Council Meeting at 5:00 PM on August 12, 2025. Mayor Lamonte was not present, Councilman Galofaro, Councilman Fedele, Councilman Lemay, Chief DiBenedetto, and Attorney Trippi all were present. The invocation was done by Mayor Pro Tem Galofaro followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Planning & Zoning-
a.) Rene' Casadaban
   -Motion to remove from Agenda made by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes (2)
b.) Michael Lemay
   - Planning and Zoning have made a recommendation to allow Mr. Lemay to tear down house on Campo and 442 and replace it with a new trailer.
   -Motion to approve by Fedele 2nd Galofaro Votes (2)
6. Public Input-ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA
7. Approve Monthly Council Meeting Minutes for July 8th, 2025.
   -Motion to approve by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes (2)
8. Old Business-
a) Dorothy Lane Matter
   -Village Attorney is in the process of subpoenaing records
b) Update on Love's Truck Stop
   -Resolution for State Capital Outlay funding presented
   -Motion to adopt resolution made by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes (2)
c) Annexation of El Ranchito Restaurant and Flea Market
   -This matter was set for Public Hearing September 9, 2025, at 4:45pm
   - Motion to set Public Hearing for September 9, 2025, at 4:45 made by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes (2)
9. New Business-
   a.) Approve Italian Festival schedule for City Hall usage
      - Motion was made to approve the use of city hall by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes(2)
   b.) Approve campers being parked by tracks during Italian Festival
      - Motion was made to table this matter until the next Council Meeting on September 9, 2025, at 5pm by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes (2)
10. Police Chief Report
   - Police Chief investigated multiple calls received during the month.
11. Attorney Report
   - None
12. Council Response
   - None
13. Mayor Report
   -None

ADJOURNMENT
   -Motion to Adjourn made by Fedele 2nd Lemay Votes (2)

Attested By:
Derek Short, Municipal Clerk
Ashley Hennick, Assistant Municipal Clerk

Cost of notice:$ 40.95

OPTIONS, Inc. Notice

Notice is hereby given that Options, Inc intends to apply for a federal grant for operating assistance and/or capital assistance to provide the Formula Grant Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities of a non-emergency, ambulatory nature for the FY 2026-2027 program year. The application for assistance is pursuant to the Formula Grant Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program of 49 CFR 5310. Services will generally be between 5:30am and 10:00pm, Sunday through Saturday, in the area encompassing Tangipahoa, Louisiana. Transit services are provided without regard to race, color, and national origin in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.
Written comments on the proposed services may be sent within 15 days to 19362 West Shelton Road, Hammond, La 70401 and to the Program Manager, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, P.O. Box 94245, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245. Comments must be received by September 8th, 2025.

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OPPORTUNITY FOR REQUESTING A PUBLIC HEARING

All interested persons are hereby advised that Options, Inc has applied to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for project funding under Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 for the following:
PROJECT: Options, Inc is preparing to replace existing equipment to continue transportation services in the Parish. Further details relative to the project are available from Options, Inc, 19362 West Shelton Road, Hammond, La 70401, 985-345-6269.
Interested persons are advised that they may request that a public hearing be conducted to provide a means for the public to express their views relative to the proposed project on the probable social, economic, and environmental effects involved. In lieu of requesting a public hearing, interested persons may submit their comments in writing.
Written requests for a public hearing and/or submittal of comments must be postmarked on or before September 8th, 2025 and should be addressed to: Sharon Jacob, Transportation Director at 19362 West Shelton Road, Hammond, La 70401. Should a public hearing be required, a public notice will be published stating the date, time, and location of the hearing.

Cost of notice:$ 39.86

The Village of Montpelier met in Regular session on August 11, 2025, at 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor Kenneth Giardina
Aldermen: Mike Ard and Brad Davis
Marshall: Kelly Spinks

Absent: Aldermen: Kevin Washington

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth Giardina.

A motion to accept minutes was made by Mike Ard seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Brad Davis seconded by Mike Ard. All yeas.

A motion to pay bills was made by Mike Ard seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

A motion to have James, Lambert & Riggs to prepare year end Compilation Report was made by Brad Davis seconded by Mike Ard. All yeas.

A motion to hire Hebert and Johnson to prepare end in audit was made by Mike Ard seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

A motion to send out letters to water customers notifying them of price increase was made by Mike Ard, seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

A motion to hire Pine Grove Auto Parts to install new transmission in the town meter truck was made by Mike Ard seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

A motion to transfer $7,500.00 from the General Operating fund to the Water Operating Fund was made by Mike Ard seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

Motion to renew five CD's at First Guaranty Bank was made by Mike Ard Seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Ard seconded by Brad Davis. All yeas.

Kenneth Giardina, Mayor
Tracey Robertson, Clerk

Cost of notice:$ 28.88

TANGI GUMBO

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black sweatshirt with mint green biker tights and pink Croc shoes. Greighanah has a tattoo on her upper right arm that reads 'Ty'reonna.'

Sheriff Gerald Sticker asks anyone with information regarding these teens' whereabouts to contact our Juvenile Division at 985-902-2031.

If you'd prefer to share information anonymously, you can do so through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa's tip line at 1-800-554-5245 or visit www.tangicrimestoppers.com and click on the P3 Tips icon or Submit A Tip!

Tips received directly through Crimestoppers may be eligible for a cash reward.

On Wednesday, U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy, M.D. (R-LA) visited Tangipahoa Parish to promote President Donald Trump's proposed One, Big, Beautiful Bill, highlighting how the legislation would support small businesses by making permanent tax relief from the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, eliminating taxes on tips and overtime for most workers, and relieving many seniors from paying Social Security taxes. Cassidy first addressed the Tangipahoa Chamber of Commerce, where business leaders welcomed the chance to hear federal updates directly, before touring S&W Wholesale in Hammond, a major food supplier that has expanded into a new facility and directly benefits from provisions in the bill, such as the 20% small business income deduction. Cassidy also pointed to federal investments he has secured locally through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and appropriations process, including $84,000 to rehabilitate taxiways at Hammond Northshore Regional Airport and $5 million in proposed funding for the Airport Road and Highway 3158 roundabout project.

The National Weather Service reports that August 20 marked the start of peak hurricane season, with the National Hurricane Center currently monitoring three areas of activity, though no storms are expected in the Gulf over the next week. Hurricane season runs through November 30, and past storms such as Zeta in October 2020 and Ida in November 2009 show the potential for late-season impacts. Officials urge residents to use this time to review emergency plans and stock up on supplies as the most active months of the season continue. The National Weather Service also reminds residents that the Atlantic hurricane season is climbing toward its peak, with historical data showing the highest likelihood for tropical storm and hurricane activity between August 20 and October 10, and the climatological peak falling on September 10. Tracking patterns during this period often bring storms through the Gulf of Mexico, the Caribbean, and the western North Atlantic, underscoring the importance of preparedness as the season reaches its most active stretch.

Louisiana policyholders may see relief as twenty major auto insurers, including Geico, State Farm, Progressive, and Allstate, have filed for rate reductions, reflecting a decline in accident rates in 2024, according to Insurance Commissioner Tim Temple. State Senator Dr. Bill Wheat noted that recent legislative efforts aimed at improving the legal climate are helping create a more competitive insurance market, and while individual rates will vary by location, these filings signal a positive trend toward more affordable coverage for residents.

Livingston Parish school officials say a Southside Junior High student was taken into custody Wednesday morning after administrators received a tip that the student had a handgun in a backpack. The weapon, which was not loaded and had no ammunition, was quickly secured after a search, and authorities confirmed the student did not threaten anyone on campus. The School Resource Officer and Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office responded immediately, and officials praised those who reported the situation for helping to ensure the safety of students and staff.

Minutes for a special meeting called by the Board of Commissioners of Gravity drainage District No. 4 of Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana, held on Monday, August 11, 2025, at Amite City Hall in Amite, Louisiana.

The Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. 4 met on the above date and was called to order by the president, Mrs. Lori B. Petitto, at 4:30 o'clock with the following members present:
Present: Lori B. Petitto, Lafete Tucker, James C. Ricks, Lionel Sutton
Absent: Kyle Warren
The president then called on Mr. Tucker to voice the invocation and pledge
The roll showed a quorum to be present.
In attendance: Mr. Louis Joseph, LaDarius Gordon, Dedrick Briggs, Reginald Muse
Discussion was held reviewing the map of the district. Mr. LaDarius Gordon received a copy of the new map and has a better visual of all locations to maintenance over a certain period before starting the process over again.
Further topics discussed:
Purchasing spray/chemical and chemical distribution during inclement weather conditions as to conserve chemical and not waste it
Pay increases, when applicable over time and showcasing work ethic
Regular work location check-in
Weekly fuel consumption awareness
Dry-fit shirts will be purchased for hot temperature working conditions
An informative discussion was held covering proper protocol for crew's knowledge and understanding as to what is expected of them
No further business appearing, on motion by Mr. Sutton duly seconded by Mr. Tucker and unanimously carried, the board adjourned.

Lori B. Petitto, President
Attest:

Mary Lynn Thompson, Secretary

Cost of notice:$ 23.10

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Obituaries

Mary Jane Beauregard Lanier; 79; Ponchatoula; August 12; survived by her daughter Cynthia Lanier Walther (Paul); one grandson; one granddaughter; siblings Patricia Bennett, Stanley Beauregard (Linda), Sidney Cushing (Yvette), A.J. Cushing (Shelly), Keith Cushing, and Chris Cushing; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Leroy Charles Fredenburg; 85; Ponchatoula; August 13; survived by his wife Rhonda Fredenburg; his children, Becky Locicero (Jimmy) and Ray Sparnecht (Julie); and his beloved grandchildren, Kristen Glascock, Kayla Locicero, Kelsey St. Arnaud, Kayla Scott, and Gabrielle Sparnecht; and six great-grandchildren.

Ray Juneau; 83; August 13; survived by his sons, Donovan Juneau (Roxie) and John Juneau; special friend, Kristin White; brother, Carl Juneau (Shirley); sister-in-law, Carolyn Bonfanti; brother-in-law, Sonny LeJeune (Margaret); grandchildren, Daniel Juneau (Mechelle) and Krystal Juneau; great-grandchildren, Aiden Edwards, Abby Juneau, Cameron Juneau, and Avalea Thomas.

Ronald "Ronnie" Jones; 73; Pine Grove; August 14; survived by his son, Ronald "Ron" Jones II; daughter, Carla Lovett and husband Clint; grandchildren, Ethan Lovett and wife Sydney, Dalton Lovett, Madison Jones, and Morgan Jones; great-grandchildren, Damian, Sarah, and Barrett Lovett; and fiancée.

Dorothy Crayton Milton; 90; Hammond; August 15; survived by her children, Robert W. Milton Jr. (Charlotte) and Darien D. Milton (Diedra); seven grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; sisters, Dorcas Perrin and Pat Soape (Burleigh); brothers, Rona Crayton and Dennis Crayton (Pat); sister-in-law, Elaine Crayton; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Bernard "Bub" Tymon Jr.; 71; August 16; survived by his children, Bernard Tymon III; Tammy Tymon; Barry Tymon (Monica), and Katie Tymon Chimal (Javier); grandchildren, Peyton Barney, Hailee Villafranco, Katelyn Villafranco, and Liliana Tymon; sister, Deborah Henry; and former wife, June Barquero.

Larry Glenn Lemons Sr.; 75; Ponchatoula; August 18; survived by his son, Matthew Edward Lemons (Jeannine); daughter, Kellie Jean Allen (Nick); grandchildren, Lawrence Lemons, Miranda Jean Erwin, Vance Erwin, Seith Erwin, and Liam Omri Lemons; sister, Donna Jean Lemons; nephew, Kristopher Ditta; niece, Jady Kline; and his partner, Brenda Blanchard.

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HOT AUGUST STROLL
SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025
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SAVINGS

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scholarship applications come around.

So, while little Susie may not be cashing checks yet, she could already be laying the groundwork for her future college fund. It turns out the road to scholarships can start with crayons, science fair volcanoes, and even a well-written essay about why guinea pigs make great pets.

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Gabby, Morgan, and Ryan: A Story of Heartbreak and Hope

Gabby

Morgan

Ryan

Mo's Movement presents the story of Gabby, Morgan, and Ryan as seen through the eyes of their mothers: a story of heartbreak and hope on Sunday, August 24, at First Baptist Church Kentwood.

We invite you to join us for a poignant evening of remembrance as we honor those who have lost their life to drug poisoning and raise awareness about the crippling fentanyl epidemic affecting our nation, state, and community.

The Empty Chair Project will showcase personal chairs and visuals, including memorial and educational posters, to save lives and shield families from the devastating consequences of addiction.

Sunday, August 24 @ 6:00pm
First Baptist Church Kentwood
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For more information, contact Angela Shockley at 985-351-4696

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FEATURED ACTIVITIES
HAMMOND FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET
8AM–12PM
KIDS ZONE: 10AM–12PM
wine + cheese STROLL
4–8PM
Lionpawlooza
3PM

SHOP

Aisthetikos MedSpa: 9am–3pm; Hot August specials + giveaways
Bayou Booksellers: 15% off $25+ purchases (2–4pm)
Bleu Rx Solutions: $10/unit tox & Serenitee pop-up
Flo & Glo: 9am–4pm First-Time IV $115, 50% off add-ons, 20% off extras; 4–8pm open house
Grit & Grace: 5% off (4–8pm)
Knew Episeauxd: 20% off brand merch; 15% off sneakers; 10% off vintage
Modified Beauty Bar: Pop-ups by Posh & Patched Co. + Ginger Snaps Co.
Paris Parker: Pop-ups ft. Yellow Van Farms, My Designs by Marsha, Rosie Akers Candle, Kayla Handbags & Godwink Moments
Tony Schillage CPA: Pop-up by Pieces by P
Precious Prints: 15% off boutique, $40 scan, giveaway, pop-ups by Linx & Lox Jewelry, Day One Creations & High Five Ceramics
Solt Provisions: Art by Aileigh Simmons + 10% off sale
Stable & Coop: Sales, specials & mocktails (10am–8pm)
Still Pushing: Spin wheel sales + live DJ
Taylor House Studios: New merch, 10% off lab orders, gallery opening with Robby Klein's 2025 SXSW portraits

PLAY

KID ZONE (10am-12pm) with Louisiana Children's Discovery Center: Chappapeela, Cheramie Farms Petting Zoo, Chick-Fil-A Cow, Hammond Branch Library, Fire Truck, Hammond Rec, Hickory Small Animal Hospital, Krewe of Omega, Krewe of Erin, Lilli's Lemonade, Red Hill Bee Farm, & Solt Provisions (11am Story Time)
First Presbyterian Church: 10am–4pm photo/audio exhibit "These Are the Places I Stay" on homelessness
Hammond Regional Arts Center: Degas Pastel Society in Main Gallery; "Fresh Paint" SELU grads upstairs, curated by Jordan Kenning
Headquarterz Cuts & Salon: Seafood rice plates
HOTWORX: Join today for $5
Jade Salon: Pop-ups: 1515 Boutique & SaraKaye Jewelry
Leading Home Care: 3–8pm booth with in-home care info + job/internship opportunities
Mike Brandner Law: Free raffle with handmade items & swag
Nortech: Hosting the Hammond Northshore Regional Airshow
Painting with a Twist: Pop-in projects—candles, wood, canvas
Realty Executives Florida Parishes: Free snowballs & cotton candy (4–8pm)
TARC: Services info + Golf Cart Raffle tickets (3–8pm)
The DRIPBaR: Hydration Station
Vexus: Metronet/Vexus merge info & giveaways

EAT + DRINK

BATTER: First 20 get a free cinnamon roll, special cookie, 15% off 4–8pm
Benny's: Noel Family Distillery & Grey Whale Gin pop-ups, bar at Farmers Market (8am-noon) & bar at Main Stage (3-8pm)
Cate Street Seafood Station: 21st anniversary menu
Insomnia Cookies: 3–8pm BOGO cookies & mini games
Lighthouse: Brunch 10–4 & mimosas/Bloody Mary's; 12–8 frozen martinis/margaritas
Luma Coffee: Birthday cake latte in limited edition Hot August cup
One Thirteen: Red Bull Truck, $7 martinis, $12 sliders, Sazerac tasting 3–5, wall reveal 4:30
Our Mom's: Food & drink specials
The Spot: Soft opening 11am–midnight (limited menu)
Truth Moroccan Food & Hookah Lounge: Special frozen drinks

MAIN STAGE

CATE SQUARE PARK | 9AM–8PM

Bring your lawn chairs + blankets to enjoy the entertainment. Shade tents provided by North Oaks + TPSO. Outdoor bar provided by Benny's Place.

9AM / YOGA IN THE PARK

Bring your mat and your friends for beginner-friendly yoga in the park with our local yoga studio, Downtown Yoga!

2PM / LIVE BROADCAST

With Northshore Media Group & Kajun 107 til 5pm!

3PM / LIONPAWLOOZA

Join us to kick-off Southeastern's athletic season & meet the spirit squads, student-athletes, coaches, and Roomie the Lion.

4pm: Dance by Royal Legacy Dance Group

4:30PM / PHAZE BAND

High-energy R&B mashup band from Hammond, America!

6PM / HEADLINER
J & THE CAUSEWAYS

A powerhouse soul/R&B ensemble from New Orleans, delivering modern soul with soulful vocals, heavy backbeats, and a soaring horn section.

LISTENING LOCAL STAGE

RAILROAD PARK | 9AM–12PM; 2PM–7PM

9AM: The McCanns | 10AM: Suffer the Fool 11AM Hannah Belle | 2PM: Soul Tribe
3PM: Cliff... Not Chris | 4PM: BE KIND REWIND
5PM: The AMBUSH Reggae Band
6PM Zachary McLain and Nouveau Soul

5-8PM: Mach IV @ Car Show (E Charles St)

MUSIC HOTSPOTS

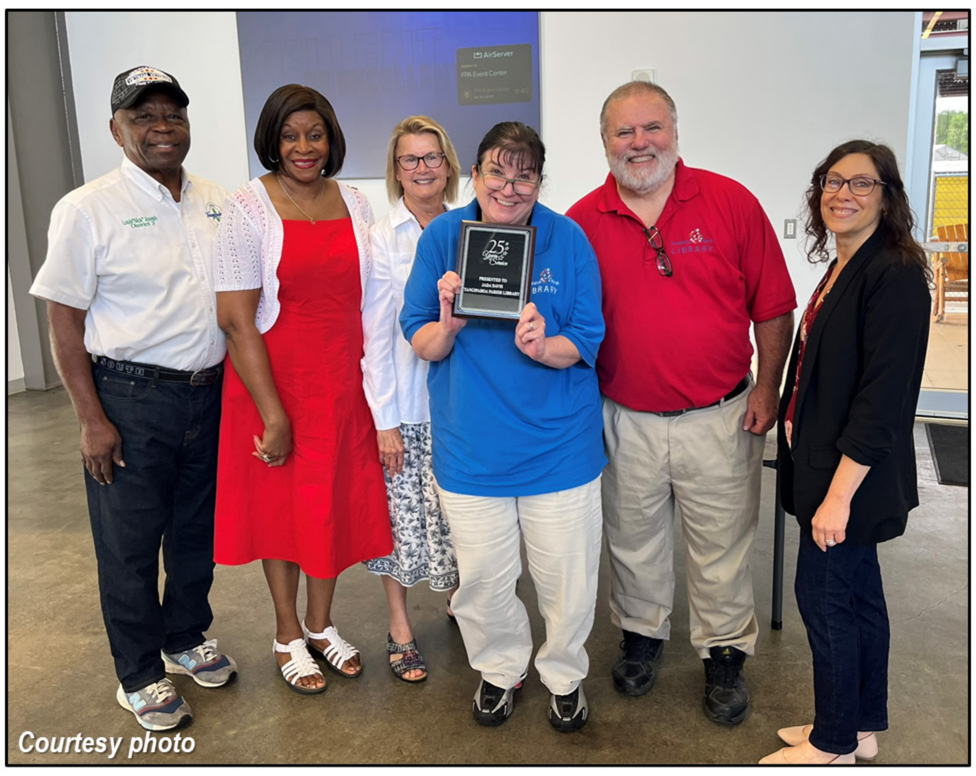
Brady's Restaurant: 6-9pm / Basch Jernigan
Cate Street Seafood Station: 11am-2pm / Callie Arthur (on patio)
Headquarterz Cuts & Salon: 6pm-til/ Live DJ
Lighthouse Coastal Brasserie: 8pm-12am / Live DJ
Luma Coffee: 4-8pm / Sylas Faust
Mariner's Inn: 6:30-9:30 / Will Vance & The Kinfolk + Julia LeGrange
One Thirteen: 4-8pm / Live DJ
Stable & Coop: 6-8pm / DJ Servo
True Title: 4-8pm / Live music
Truth: 4pm-til / Live music

Tangipahoa Library Honors Two Longtime Staff Members

The Tangipahoa Parish Library recently recognized two longtime staff members for their dedication and service to the library and community.

"We are proud to celebrate the contributions of these two outstanding team members who have devoted so many years to serving both our library and the people of Tangipahoa Parish," said Library Director Barry Bradford. "Jada Davis and Valerie Agnello have played an important role in advancing literacy throughout our parish. We thank them for their commitment and dedication."

Jada Davis, of the Ponchatoula Branch, has served the library for 25 years, while Valerie Agnello, of the Independence Branch, has dedicated 15 years of service. Both were honored at the library's annual in-service workshop in August.



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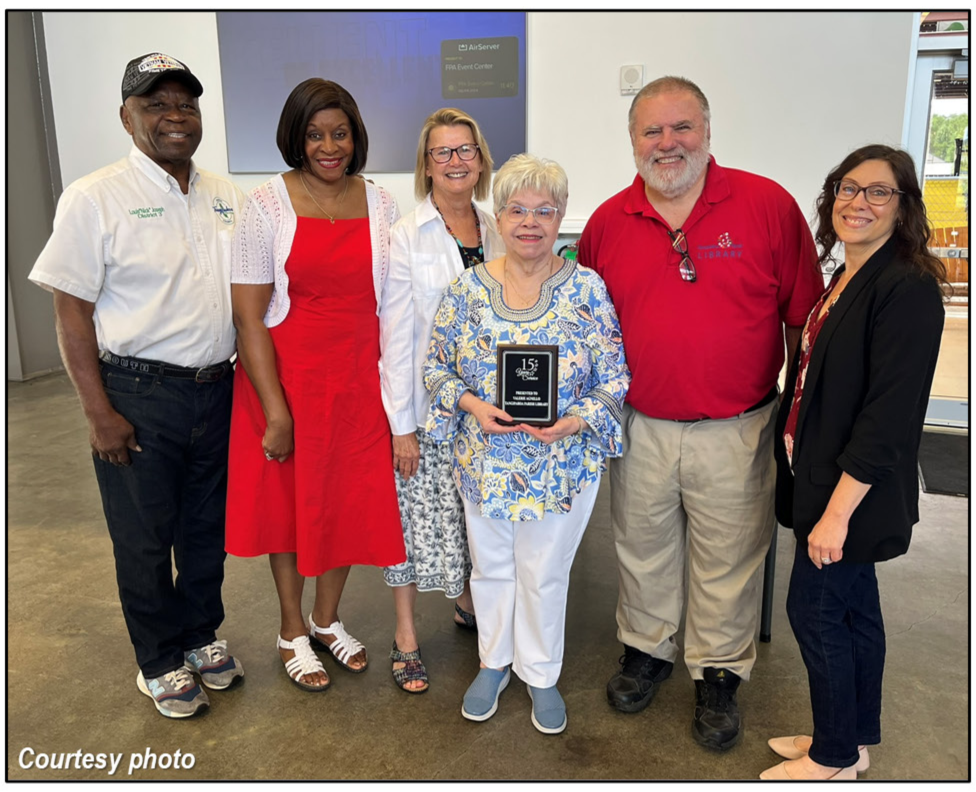
Jada Davis, fourth from left, is recognized for her 25 years of service. Joining Davis is Library Board Members Louis Joseph, Dr. Carolyn Roman, Sandra Capp, Davis, Library Director Barry Bradford and Assistant Director Kellie Ferrara.



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Valerie Agnello, fourth from left, is recognized for her 15 years of service. Joining Davis is Library Board Members Louis Joseph, Dr. Carolyn Roman, Sandra Capp, Davis, Library Director Barry Bradford and Assistant Director Kellie Ferrara.

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Perrilloux Selected as Southeastern Alumnus of the Year

From Southeastern

District Attorney Scott M. Perrilloux has been selected as the Southeastern Louisiana University Alumni Association 2025 Alumnus of the Year. A 1984 graduate of Southeastern, Perrilloux will be honored at the Alumni Association's annual awards evening Friday, October 17, during Homecoming Week.

"An Alumnus of the Year is someone who not only embodies the core values of Lion pride, excellence, caring, and service, but also goes above and beyond in their commitment to making a difference," said Vice President of University Advancement Wendy Lauderdale. "This year's recipient, Scott Perrilloux, exemplifies these qualities in every way. His unwavering dedication to Southeastern is unparalleled."

A native of Hammond, Perrilloux served as City Prosecutor for the City Court of Hammond, Assistant City Attorney for the City of Hammond, Assistant District Attorney of the 21st Judicial District, and Judge Pro Tempore for the City Court of Hammond before being elected District Attorney of the 21st District in 1996. He was re-elected to that position in 2002, again in 2008, and has served without opposition since that time. He is currently serving his fifth term.

Perrilloux's professional memberships and affiliations include the Louisiana State Bar Association, member of the 21st Judicial District Bar Association, former member of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana District Attorneys Association, past-president of the Louisiana District Attorneys Association, member of the National District Attorneys Association, member of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement Planning Council, and executive board member of Capital District Law Enforcement Planning Council.

While attending Southeastern, Perrilloux was a member of the Southeastern baseball team. He continues to support his alma mater's athletic programs as an avid season ticket holder and meal sponsor for team members prior to the games.

He also financially supports many Southeastern Foundation projects, such as the construction of the new athletic building. As an enthusiastic sports fan, he has also served as a volunteer coach for several youth organizations over the years.

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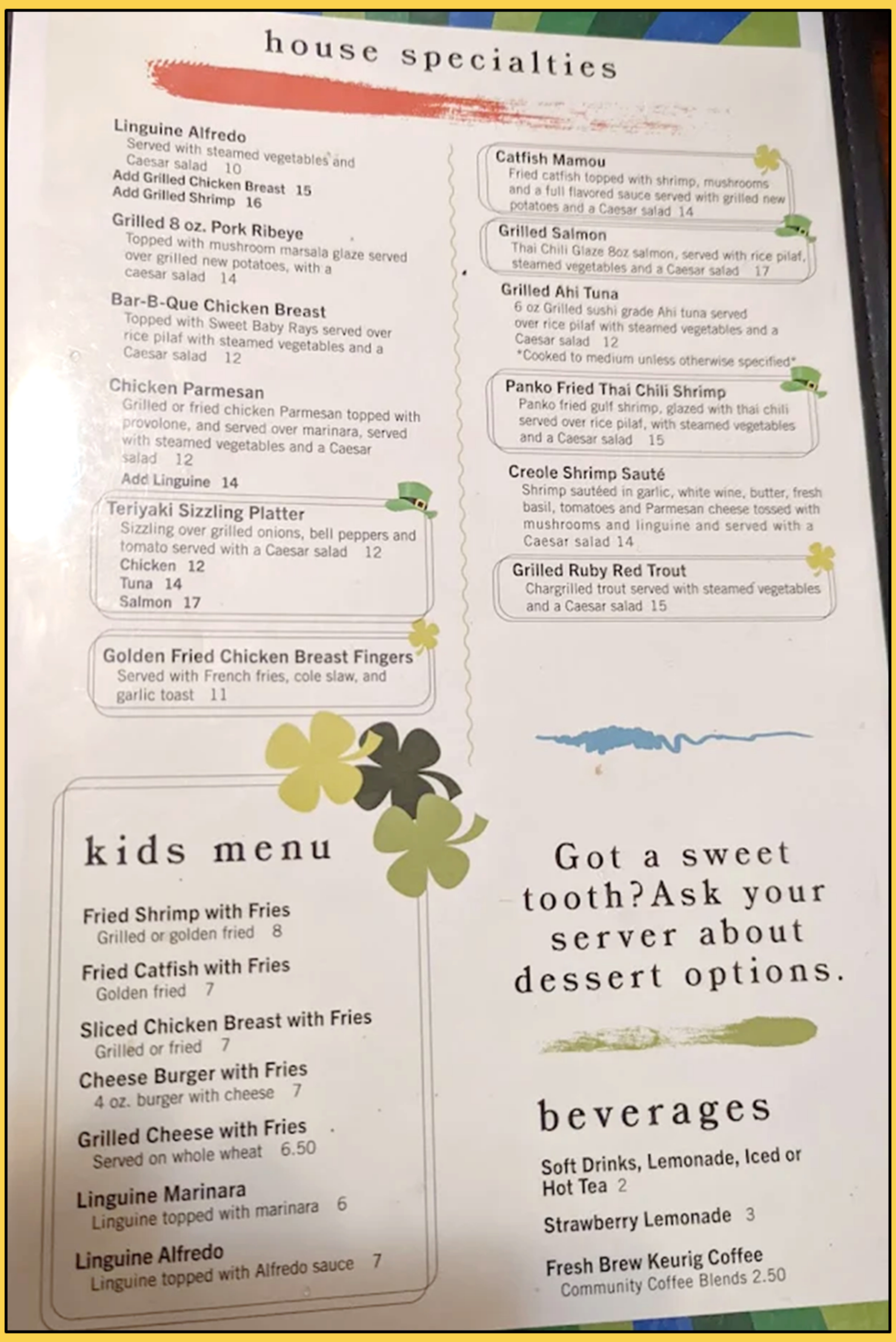

house specialties

Linguine Alfredo
Served with steamed vegetables and Caesar salad 10
Add Grilled Chicken Breast 15
Add Grilled Shrimp 16

Grilled 8 oz. Pork Ribeye
Topped with mushroom marsala glaze served over grilled new potatoes, with a caesar salad 14

Bar-B-Que Chicken Breast
Topped with Sweet Baby Rays served over rice pilaf with steamed vegetables and a Caesar salad 12

Chicken Parmesan
Grilled or fried chicken Parmesan topped with provolone, and served over marinara, served with steamed vegetables and a Caesar salad 12
Add Linguine 14

Teriyaki Sizzling Platter
Sizzling over grilled onions, bell peppers and tomato served with a Caesar salad 12
Chicken 12
Tuna 14
Salmon 17

Golden Fried Chicken Breast Fingers
Served with French fries, cole slaw, and garlic toast 11

Catfish Mamou
Fried catfish topped with shrimp, mushrooms and a full flavored sauce served with grilled new potatoes and a Caesar salad 14

Grilled Salmon
Thai Chili Glaze 8oz salmon, served with rice pilaf, steamed vegetables and a Caesar salad 17

Grilled Ahi Tuna
6 oz Grilled sushi grade Ahi tuna served over rice pilaf with steamed vegetables and a Caesar salad 12
Cooked to medium unless otherwise specified

Panko Fried Thai Chili Shrimp
Panko fried gulf shrimp, glazed with thai chili served over rice pilaf, with steamed vegetables and a Caesar salad 15

Creole Shrimp Sauté
Shrimp sautéed in garlic, white wine, butter, fresh basil, tomatoes and Parmesan cheese tossed with mushrooms and linguine and served with a Caesar salad 14

Grilled Ruby Red Trout
Chargrilled trout served with steamed vegetables and a Caesar salad 15

kids menu

Fried Shrimp with Fries
Grilled or golden fried 8

Fried Catfish with Fries
Golden fried 7

Sliced Chicken Breast with Fries
Grilled or fried 7

Cheese Burger with Fries
4 oz. burger with cheese 7

Grilled Cheese with Fries
Served on whole wheat 6.50

Linguine Marinara
Linguine topped with marinara 6

Linguine Alfredo
Linguine topped with Alfredo sauce 7

Got a sweet tooth?Ask your server about dessert options.

beverages

Soft Drinks, Lemonade, Iced or Hot Tea 2

Strawberry Lemonade 3

Fresh Brew Keurig Coffee
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Wednesday, August 20	Pat Catania (5-8:30 pm)		
Thursday, August 21	Cliff Not Chris (5:30-9 pm)	TJ Barends (6-9 pm)	
Friday, August 22	Slow Repeat (6-9:30 pm)	Ben & Julia (6-9 pm)	Eddie Veatch (7-10 pm)
Saturday, August 23	Trey Morgan (10:30-2 pm) Hunter Grace (6-9:30 pm)	Guy Patent (6-9 pm)	Will Vance and the Kinfolk (7-10 pm)

Schedules are Subject to Change

Feature Shows

Streetside Market Hammond
Friday, 8/22 @ 6 pm
Gnarley Barley Hammond
Saturday, 8/23 @ 3 pm

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